

Wording Changes

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New Terms		
Term used with 1999 and 2006 Standard Specifications	Term used with new Bid book (implemented July 2008)	Term used with 2010 Standard Specifications
Contract Change Order	Contract Change Order	Change Order
Contract pay item, item of work, contract item, bid item	Bid item	Bid item
Notice to Contractors	Notice to Bidders	Notice to Bidders
Proposal	Bid	Bid
Project Information	Supplemental Project Information	Supplemental Project Information
Proposal and Contract book	Bid book	Bid book
State-furnished materials	State-furnished materials	Department-furnished materials

Use of Definitions		
Use with 1999 and 2006 Standard Specifications	Use with new Bid book	Use with 2010 Standard Specifications
Engineer as any of the Department's representatives	Follow use in right column if it works in context of the existing spec. Definition of Engineer has not changed in essence; definition of Department has changed to include any of the Department representatives.	Engineer as only the RE
Department as the Department of Transportation		Department as the Department of Transportation and as any of the Department's representatives

New Expressions		
Use	Do not use synonyms	
comply with	adhere to follow meet	
job site	site project site contract site	
provisions (for laws and PLACs) specifications (for specifications, including specifications such as ASTMs) terms (for contracts not between the Department and the Contractor)	conditions requirements	
under	following meeting pursuant to	in accordance with in conformance with under the provisions of

New Referencing	
Do not say	Say
ASTM Designation: A 706/A 706M	ASTM A 706/A 706M
Title 29 of the United States Code, Section 201 and the following	29 USC § 201 et seq.
<Work description> will be paid for as extra work as specified in Section 4-1.03D, "Extra Work," of the Standard Specifications.	<Work description> is change order work.

Omission of Needless Words	
Do not say	Say
highway right-of-way	highway
Saturday, Sunday, or legal holiday	Saturday or holiday

For additional wording changes, go to applicable style guide at <http://www.dot.ca.gov/hq/esc/oe/>